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**FAIRFIELD COUNTY FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES D.A.R.E. SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**

LANCASTER, Ohio --The Fairfield County Foundation has announced the 2012-2013 scholarship recipient for the D.A.R.E Scholarship. Last year, the Foundation provided $775,518 in scholarships to 348 area students.

This fund was established for the purpose of providing educational scholarships for students graduating from Lancaster High School, William V. Fisher Catholic High School or Fairfield Christian Academy. Recipients must also be a graduate of the D.A.R.E. Program who desire to continue their education.

This year, the recipient of the D.A.R.E. Scholarship is Kellie Arter, a graduate of Lancaster High School who will be attending Denison University to study biochemistry.

*The Fairfield County Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit that, along with its supporters, helps to enhance the quality of life and economic viability in our community. Its scholarship program helps to sustain opportunities for local youth to achieve their academic goals. The Foundation was formed in 1989 and grants today continue to support the arts, children’s programs, health and wellness projects, community development, academics, and more. The Foundation is a recipient of the National Standards Seal, indicating official confirmation from the Council on Foundations that it has met the most rigorous standards in philanthropy and affirming the Foundation’s commitment to financial security, transparency and accountability. For more information about the Foundation, please call 740-654-8451 or visit* [*www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org*](https://ch1prd0102.outlook.com/owa/redir.aspx?C=4v7yUAy5FUuak2R8t5cQoSSDaTxlps4IfF4dm2477ucggFU36ntN56Z_ZYPNNgrMGr5Zl5HRweg.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org)*.*

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